## House Resolution No. 4190

Whereas, it is with great pride and sincere admiration that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives honor treasured residents of the Show-Me State who have experienced the joys and blessings of a prosperous marriage; and

Whereas, sixty-five wondrous years ago on June 29, 1940, Edwin Prather took the hand of his beautiful bride, Helen Jane Hinkle, as they began their commitment to a lifetime of shared love and devotion by exchanging wedding vows during a solemn ceremony in St. Joseph, Missouri; and

Whereas, in the years since that heavenly day, Ed and Helen Prather have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include two sons, Paul Prather of Memphis, Tennessee, and Eric Prather, who is an angel in heaven; eleven grandchildren, Paul, Cody, Eric, Paul, Jr., John, Trevor, Hannah, Nathanael, Joel, Helen, and Alayna; and three great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, Ed Prather is known as a dedicated family man who generously provided his loved ones with a comfortable home and secure future through his successful endeavors as a farmer and as a school bus driver for Bellevue School; and

Whereas, a devoted wife, loving mother, and outstanding homemaker, Helen Prather has also enjoyed recognition as a school bus driver for Bellevue School who worked at Barbara's Fabrics, Rogers Pharmacy, and the Mound City Senior Center, where she served as a clerk; and

Whereas, Ed and Helen Prather have found the road to happiness by putting all of their energy, love, and ambition into their marriage and by knowing that a successful union is built upon such strong qualities as sacrifice, dedication, and honesty; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Prather, residents of Mound City, commemorated the glorious occasion of their Sixty-fifth Wedding Anniversary on June 29, 2005:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in extending our most hearty congratulations to Ed and Helen Prather for their tremendous success in achieving six and one-half decades of wedded bliss and in wishing them many happy and rewarding years to come; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Prather, as a measure of our esteem for them.

Rod Jetton, Speaker

Offered by
Representative Brad Lager
District No. 4
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4190, adopted August 15, 2005.